

The *Hawaiian Monthly* for March contains some good papers, the continuation of Mrs. Wyman's story "The five dollar gold piece," a short story entitled "The lawyer outwitted," and the usual varieties. Under the head of the Puzzle Department the answers to the January puzzles are given. The first article entitled "Thoughts on State Education" is a pendant to that in the previous number which dealt with the subject of common school education. In the present article the higher education is considered. The writer's view of the duty and function of the state in regard to this may be gathered from the following extract:—"The State should provide a good plain practical education for all its children, and should not undertake to furnish free instruction in the higher branches except for those who have shown some aptitude for them." The latter part of the essay is devoted to the appreciation of this principle to the actual circumstances of Hawaii in the present day. A valuable paper full of much good suggestion is that on "Farms and Farming in this Kingdom" by Justice McCully. This was originally read before the Social Science Association. It well deserves the wider publication which it has now received both on account of its own merits and of the importance to the community of the subject with which it deals. That portion of "The Five Dollar Gold Piece" which is given in this number is not so bright as what went before. The instalments, we notice, grow less each time. That of the present number is almost confined to analysis of the reflections of the heir and heroine scarcely rehearsed by any incident but if another page had been forthcoming there would evidently have been the relief of a little variety. "The Lawyer Outwitted" is a nonsensical story but is brightly told and shows that fine capacity for flutuation possessed by some ladies may have its practical value occasionally. In the articles on the Elections the writer endeavors to account for the non-election of Mr. J. O. Carter. He is of opinion that "the campaign on the part of the opposition was mismanaged from the start" because its managers "persisted in putting the new wine of reform into the same old bottles of timidity, secrecy, and genial distrust of the people." Popular opinion is not with him on this matter as it is generally considered that the opposition managers did their work very thoroughly as was evidenced both by the large vote they polled and by the way in which their men stuck together.

Messrs. Jackson and Freeth returned to Honolulu on Sunday last in the steamer W. H. Reed, and sailed again in the evening. They report having proceeded direct to Kawaihae after leaving here on the 20th ult., from whence they commenced their sounding operations. They crossed the Hawaii Channel three times, and sounded every mile, half mile, and quarter mile, as was deemed necessary. After obtaining satisfactory results they proceeded to Lahaina, and made three trips across the Molokai Channel. Full and detailed reports of the work accomplished by these gentlemen have been handed to the directors of the Cable Company, by whom we are assured that the project they hope shortly to accomplish has so far been very successful. By the end of this week we hope to record the completion of the sounding operations.

The S. S. Alameda moved away from the wharf on Saturday punctually at noon. She was drawing 22 feet 6 inches aft, and 21 feet forward. This magnificent steamer looked a perfect specimen of naval architecture as she steamed out of the harbor. She carried away from these shores seventy-four passengers, and 2200 tons of cargo, valued at nearly a quarter million dollars. By order of His Majesty the band played for an hour prior to the steamer's departure, and by the courtesy of the Hon. J. A. Cummins the steamer Waimanalo was placed at the disposal of the honored few who wished a parting shake of the hands outside of the bell-buoy. On returning to port the Waimanalo slowed down off the U. S. S. Hartford whilst the two bands exchanged compliments.

Mr. E. Jewell, the advance agent of Sherman's European Circus, has been busily engaged for the past ten days in preparing for the advent of this grand combination of skill and talent. We are reliably informed that this is the best travelling circus in the world, and this statement is fully corroborated by the opinions of the press. By the S. S. Mariposa, to arrive on Saturday next, the Messrs. Sherman and their numerous artists, also several educated horses, may be looked for. Mr. Jewell possesses a thorough knowledge of the art of making known to the world the capabilities of the performers that he has the honor to represent, as is to be witnessed by the gorgeous poster bills now distributed over this city. Such enterprise deserves to be rewarded as we trust it will.

The Chief Engineer of the Honolulu Fire Brigade kindly submitted for our inspection the new badges to be worn by the fire police. The design is a five pointed star set in a shield with the words "Fire Police" plainly painted in black letters. This is a branch of the service that has long been needed, and under the captaincy of Mr. Thos. B. Walker, there is no doubt but that they will do their duty efficiently.

Our Kilauea correspondent has kindly furnished a detailed account of the fatal accident that happened on Kauai on the 23rd ultimo. In addition to what we published concerning this sad catastrophe, he writes:—"It appears that the driver lost control of his horses as they were nearing the bottom of the Moloa Gulch. The brake seems to have been defective as the driver could not bring enough pressure to bear on it; the result being that when the coach was going at a rapid rate, it was suddenly thrown on its side at the sharp turn of the road. Some of the passengers received slight wounds, others being more seriously injured. The child that was killed was in charge of an old woman, mother of Judge Puka of Hanalei. She was also seriously injured, having her left leg broken. Mrs. Hewitt had her left leg bruised, and Mr. Hewitt had his brow slightly scarred. Dr. Borland, of Kilauea, was very soon on the spot, and dressed the wounded. The passengers were all able to go on with the exception of the old woman whose leg the doctor set in temporary splints. He returned to the scene of the accident on the following day with a proper splint, and he was disappointed to find that the woman had been removed, and the splints taken off. He renewed the dressing, and is in hopes that if care is taken by the attendants the woman may be healed."

If the Irishmen in this city propose celebrating the anniversary of the birthday of their patron saint (what year, history saith not), it is due time they held a preliminary meeting. Without mentioning names, we know of several prominent members of this community that claim Erin's Isle as their birthplace, and though they may have taken an oath of allegiance to other countries, they are always proud of having first seen daylight in the "Old Counthry." A St. Patrick's dinner can only be appreciated by those who have partaken of one, but what follows is the *creme de la creme*. A biographical sketch of St. Patrick is of itself a literary treat; we therefore hope that the 17th of March will not pass unnoticed. From a little incident that took place before His Honor on Monday last, it is evident that there is no affinity between an Irishman and a Chinaman, for on one of the latter being stigmatized as one of the former, he caused a breach of the peace that cost him 24 hours' imprisonment.

It was reported about town on Tuesday afternoon that the horses and mules imported by the W. H. Dimond, were affected by that disease which has proved fatal to so many horses here during the past year. Enquiry and inspection proved that the rumor was not true. The horses which were lost on the voyage were lost through the bad weather encountered, and not from disease of any kind. Of those landed two are ailing, but their importer, Mr. Henry Macfarlane, believes that they have only a distemper from which they will speedily recover under proper treatment. The other horses and the mules are only suffering from the effects of a protracted and stormy voyage.

Burglary was rife during the latter part of last week. Mr. Frank Gertz, boot and shoe store on Fort street was broken into and several pairs of boots and shoes stolen therefrom. An attempt was made to enter Mr. Lindsay's jewelry store on Nuuanu street last Friday but frustrated by the breaking of a pane of glass which aroused the inmate. A Chinese thief was arrested on Saturday night for breaking into the Chinese Theatre and stealing money from a trunk. He came nearly losing his life in jumping from a great height in trying to evade capture. No arrests have been made in the two first named robberies.

Elopements are not unfrequent from this city, but one occurred recently in which the principal actors were of very tender years. A young Portuguese lady of not more than 12 or 13 summers, judging from appearances, placed herself under the temporary protection of a youth 16 of 17 years of age, and the twain fled to Hawaii. A warrant was issued at the instigation of her parents for the redemption of the female child, and on Saturday last she was safely landed from the S. S. Kinan. The parents after paying the criminal fees for their daughters dereliction of filial duty, took the juvenile home, and it is hoped administered to her the necessary corrective for youthful errors.

The Chinaman who committed a robbery at the Chinese Theatre on Saturday night last was unfit to be brought before His Honor yesterday morning for examination. He is confined in a cell, lying on a canvas stretcher, but seems to be in a fair way to recover, as he is constantly asking for rice and tea.

The U. S. S. Hartford sailed on Tuesday for San Francisco. During her short stay in port many of the Honolulu homes have been enlivened by the genial society of the officers, and should they ever return, as it is hoped they will, they will always receive a welcome in this city.

His Excellency Governor Dominis, accompanied by H. R. H. Princess Liliuokalani, sailed for Maui on Tuesday in the S. S. Kinan. For an hour prior to the steamer's sailing, the band played on the wharf and as the steamer moved away the National Anthem was given amidst greetings and alohas of parting friends.

His Majesty embarked on board the S. S. Planter on Tuesday afternoon. He was accompanied on board by the Hon. A. S. Cleghorn and received by His Excellency the Minister of Foreign Affairs. He will be absent from the capital for two or three weeks and will visit Kau, Kona and the surrounding country during his excursion. He is accompanied by Major Kinimaka and takes with him his gig and boat's crew. The steamer sailed at 10 minutes past 4 o'clock.

About 1 A.M. last Saturday a fire broke out in a house on Maunakea street. Albert Bray discovered the blaze, and on forcing the room door open where the fire originated, he found a native inside under the influence of liquor. Bray and other natives quickly got some water and extinguished the fire with two or three well directed buckets of water. The drunken native was taken to the station house. The origin of the fire is supposed to have been the explosion of a kerosene lamp.

Professor Babcock, a renowned pianist, arrived by the D. C. Murray, and purposes making Honolulu his home. His specialty is teaching the accomplishment of piano playing. He has resided for the past 18 years in Oakland, Cal., and formerly lived in the city of Boston, Mass. The Professor comes highly recommended, having studied music under some of the best artists in Germany, where he was located for nine years. His professional address is at Messrs. Lyman & Co.'s.

Only one express wagon got smashed at the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company's wharf on Tuesday. It is a miracle that there were not half a dozen similar mishaps. About forty carriages were promiscuously arranged on and around the wharf, when a loud blast from the steamer's whistle aroused all the horses more or less. If Mr. Wond, the hack policeman, is off duty, some other competent person should be deputed to keep the carriages in their proper places. The existing irregularity is dangerous to life.

Drs. Emerson and Parker finished their examination of the Royal School on Tuesday. Only twenty-four out of the total number on the roll have absented themselves from the examination, and these will now be unable to return to school unless they obtain certificates from other medical men. The examination of Fort-street School will be commenced to-day.

A burglary was committed at Mr. W. H. Place's store on Maunakea street on Friday of last week. Goods valued at \$200 were stolen; after which an attempt was made to set the building on fire, but fortunately without success. The burglar and incendiary are still at large.

Last Monday Messrs. B. F. Ehler's & Co.'s grand sale of fine silk goods commenced. The prices are 75 per cent. less than cost. In accordance with their usual custom these goods must be sold, and everybody is invited to examine the goods and satisfy him or herself of their excellence.

Admiral Hughes visited the Hawaiian Lodge, No. 21, E. & A. M., last Monday. There was an unusually large assemblage of members and visitors, and Brother Hughes expressed his delight in meeting so many of the mystic order in this city.

Mr. C. B. Miles shipped one of his recently imported stallions for Kau on Tuesday per S. S. Planter. The noble looking animal got rather excited over the shipment but took matters kindly after he was safely landed on deck.

The native Palea, and the driver of the train to which a fatal accident happened last month were examined on a charge of manslaughter at Wailuku before District Justice Aholo last week, and both were acquitted.

The schooner Rosario arrived at Kahului on Sunday, February 24th, after a passage of 21 days, from San Francisco. She sailed on her return trip on 2nd instant; she carries a full cargo of sugar.

Up to noon on Saturday last, there were a dozen passages engaged by the S. S. Mariposa. It behooves passengers to book ahead in order to have the choice of state-rooms.

On Tuesday, Mr. James Copeland, who is employed by J. H. Bruns, Jr., fell from a veranda and broke his left collar bone. Dr. Hagan was immediately summoned to attend the unfortunate man and he set the broken bone in a very short time.

The schooner Ida Schnauer, Robertson master, arrived at Kawaihae on Friday, 29th ult., 21 days from San Francisco, consigned to Samuel Parker, with 38 head stock and general merchandise.

The *Planters' Monthly* predicts that the present crop of sugar of these islands, now being harvested, will be about as large as that of last year—not exceeding 60,000 tons.

The Reciprocity Sugar Co. commenced grinding on Thursday, 28th ult. The cane is reported to be good.

During the absence of Governor Dominis, the Hon. A. S. Cleghorn will act as Governor of Oahu.

POLICE COURT.

BEFORE POLICE-JUSTICE BICKERTON.

Saturday, March 1, 1884.

Ten cases of drunkenness in each of which \$6 was paid. One charge of assault and battery to which the accused pleaded guilty. Fined \$6.

Monday, March 3, 1884.

There drunkards contributed \$6 each, one \$8, one \$10 and one \$11; total \$47, which is about the average amount received at the station house every Monday morning.

Maria Con Se San, a Portuguese girl of about 12 years of age was arrested last week on a warrant, on a charge of deserting her parents. It appeared that a few weeks ago this young lady eloped with a boy of her own nationality to Hawaii. She was brought back in due course and after a brief incarceration was liberated by the payment of \$6 which was paid by her parents.

Ah Sam and Ah Kau were charged with disorderly conduct. Ah Sam entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to 24 hours imprisonment at hard labor. Ah Kau forfeited bail of \$25.

Ah Hong was brought up on remand for perjury and again remanded until the 4th instant.

Jack a native, was committed to the Insane Asylum on the testimony of Mr. David Dayton.

CIVIL CASES.

Ah Fat vs. J. D. Ramsay. Trespass by damage \$30. At Fat testified that on the 9th ultimo, a wagon belonging to the defendant ran into his carriage and broke it. He paid \$15 for repairs.

Sam McKeague testified that Ramsay's horse was not safe for the boys to drive as it is inclined to run away.

W. Ramsay, 15 years of age, testified to tying the horse up to a post on Hotel street and afterwards finding the bridle and chain only left to the post.

Judgment for plaintiff for \$25, and costs \$4 50.

C. E. Williams vs. Mary Howard. Assumpsit for \$28 25. Judgment confessed.

Two cases discontinued, one settled out of Court, and two continued until the 6th instant.

Tuesday, March 4, 1884.

Four charges of drunkenness. The victims in each case pleading guilty, three were fined \$5 each and one \$10, this offense being reported from a saloon.

Two persons were charged with disturbing the quiet of night, but the prosecution entered a nolle pro. A similar course was pursued in the case of F. Herrmann charged with vagrancy.

J. Silva for violating Express Rule No. 25, was fined \$5 and \$1 costs.

Ah Hong was charged with perjury. Plea not guilty. Mr. W. R. Castle appeared for the defendant. This charge arose out of a civil suit tried in the Supreme Court last January term, Awana vs. Ah Hong. The action was brought on two promissory notes of \$750 each. Ah Hong on that occasion testified that he had paid the \$1,500 to Awana in two payments, one of \$500 in August, and one of \$1,000 between the 1st and 6th of September. Mr. Cecil Brown testified that he received the notes from Awana. They are now in the hands of the Clerk of the Supreme Court. The result of the action in the Supreme Court was a verdict for plaintiff for whole amount. The hearing of this case occupied the whole morning and defendant was finally remanded until 6th instant.

F. Herrmann, on the testimony of Dr. Hagan was committed to the Insane Asylum as an insane person and unfit to be at large.

RECEPTION ON BOARD THE U. S. S. HARTFORD.

Admiral Hughes, Captain Carpenter, and officers of the U. S. S. Hartford held a general reception on board last Saturday afternoon, which proved a very pleasant affair, and was characterized with quiet elegance and good taste. The specially invited guests were His Majesty, Hon. A. S. Cleghorn, His Majesty's Ministers, and the Judges of the Supreme Court. His Excellency Minister Daggett and lady were also present.

His Majesty embarked shortly after three o'clock, accompanied by the Hon. A. S. Cleghorn, and His Excellency Walter M. Gibson. The officers had extended invitations to their friends, and all who could spare the time availed themselves of the opportunity to visit the noble ship and accept of the regal hospitality of the hosts. The ship's boats left the wharf every ten minutes, and from 3 o'clock to 6 P.M. they were constantly going backwards and forwards with the numerous visitors. On ascending the gangway ladder and passing over the bulwarks, the main deck was found to have been turned into a temporary ball-room.

The white decks were artistically smoothed

over with the necessary lubrication by which they were rendered perfect for dancing. From abaft the main-mast to the break of the poop-deck, flags were hung on both sides and across the deck. The band was stationed on the break of the poop, and under the leadership of Signor Carlo Contrade they played the following programme during the reception:—

- 1—Waltz, "Twilight," Faust
- 2—Waltz, "Merry Peal," Hermann
- 3—Lancers, "Summer Night," Beyer
- 4—Cucca, "Chilian," Rosa
- 5—Waltz, "The Bride," Reinhardt
- 6—Quadrille, "Maccoli Carnival," Faust
- 7—Waltz, "Violets," Luftenholtz
- 8—Waltz, "Sprites of the Spring," Faust
- 9—Lancers, "Court of Life," Faust
- 10—Waltz, "My First Ball," Bach
- 11—Waltz, "Fruehling auf der Reise," Füllhoff

It was a charming day, and the improvised ball-room presented a scene of gaiety and fashion that has never been excelled in this harbor on a similar occasion. The costumes of the ladies were rich and elegant in the extreme.

In a ward-room below was to be found an excellent cold collation evidently arrayed by an artistic chef. Several bowls of that famous beverage which cheers the heart but does not inebriate, were on the table, and liberally dispensed on all sides. The gallant Admiral, Captain Carpenter, and, in fact, all the officers, vied with one another in entertaining their numerous guests. In the Admiral's cabin is to be seen a coat of arms from the old oak tree in which the original charter granted to the city of Hartford, Conn., was once hidden during the reign of James II.

After 5 o'clock the guests commenced to take their departure, all feeling highly gratified at the unprecedented treat that had been afforded them.

THE U. S. S. HARTFORD DURING THE WAR.

Admiral Farragut had determined to capture the forts, Jackson and St. Philip, which were the key to the Mississippi river and the city of New Orleans. To that end he chose the morning of the 24th of April and 2 o'clock for the hour of attack. This now historic order, among other things, contained the following:—"No vessel must withdraw from battle, under any circumstances, without the consent of the flag officer."

I wish you to understand that the day is at hand when you will be called upon to meet the enemy in its worst form for our profession. You must be prepared to execute all those duties to which you have been so long trained in the navy, without having the opportunity of practicing. I expect every vessel's crew to be well exercised at their guns, but they must be equally well trained in stopping up shot holes and extinguishing fire. Hot and cold shot will no doubt be freely dealt us, and there must be stout hearts and quick hands to extinguish the one and stop the holes of the other. I shall expect the most attention to signals and verbal orders.

One of the most hazardous undertakings of the war had to be accomplished before the fleet could start—i. e., the chain which was stretched across the river just below the forts, and which was floated upon the decks of old hulks, had to be cut. This perilous task was assigned to Lieutenants Crosby and Caldwell on the Pinta and Itasca. Under a veritable shower of large and small shot, the schooners were boarded and the chains cut, thus allowing either wing of the obstruction to float alongside the bank and ground. The river being now opened, nothing remained but to open the fight.

The Union fleet consisted of the flag-ship Hartford, with the Brooklyn, Richmond, Pensacola, Mississippi, Cayuga, Oneida, Varuna, Matadin, Kinco, Wisahicken, Scioto, Iroquois, Kennebec, Pinta, Itasca, and the Winona. The signal to start had been agreed upon, which was two ordinary red lights, which would not attract the enemy's attention, and at five minutes before 2 A. M., April 24th, the signal for the fight was made, and each ship noiselessly got her anchors aweigh and silently steamed forward, the Hartford, with the Admiral, as usual in the van. The night was very dark, and the haze or fog hung on the river surface, making the slowly moving fleet to wear a weird and ghastly air as it stole silently onward to the encounter.

The tugs of the mortar flotilla were in position for work, when suddenly the Cayuga, leading the first division of the gunboats, was discovered by both forts simultaneously, and they opened their batteries on her. The shores at once became a blaze of lurid light from a thousand fires lighted by the enemy, and the river was a sea of crimson from the fire rafts and the belching of flame from the broadsides of the whole fleet, all of which were now in action. The mortar boats sent in a double fire of thirteen-inch shell, whose beautiful curves in the murky